

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--As shown in FIG. 32, in the proposed lighting apparatus, the intensity distribution of light emitted from the linear photoconductor 114 is not uniform and has high light intensities and low light intensities. An intensity distribution of the light emitted from the linear photoconductor 114 is reflected on an intensity distribution of the light emitted from the plane photoconductor 116. The intensity distribution of the light emitted from the plane photoconductor 116 ~~does~~ is not accordingly uniform and has high light intensities and low light intensities. Accordingly, a liquid crystal display using the proposed lighting apparatus cannot have good display characteristics.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The inventors of the present invention have made earnest studies for reasons forwhy the proposed lighting apparatus ~~being~~ is unable to light a liquid crystal panel with a uniform light intensity.--